

SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any special rule reported on the legislative day of July 29, 2005, providing for consideration or disposition of any measure related to funding for transportation programs.

CONFERENCE REPORT—TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT: A LEGACY FOR USERS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 3 and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. The rule provides that the Clerk shall not transmit to the Senate a message that it has adopted the conference report to accompany H.R. 3 until the House has received a message that the Senate has agreed to House Concurrent Resolution 226 as adopted by the House.

TAX REFORM/MEMBERS PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Member Proposals for Tax Reform. Testimony was heard from Representatives Neal, English of Pennsylvania, Linder, Emanuel, Kucinich, Bishop of New York, and Burgess.

BRIEFING—GLOBAL UPDATES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a Briefing on Global Updates. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

DNI STATUS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on DNI Status. Testimony was heard from LTG Michael V.

Hayden, USAF, Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence.

Joint Meetings

ALTERNATIVE AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine alternative automotive technologies to develop energy efficient vehicles, after receiving testimony from David K. Garman, Secretary of Energy; Mark Chernoby, DaimlerChrysler Corporation, Auburn Hills, Michigan; Mary Ann Wright, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan; Tom Stricker, Toyota Motor North America, Inc., Torrance, California; and Joe Loper, Alliance to Save Energy, Washington, DC.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 846)

H.J. Res. 52, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003. Signed on July 27, 2005. (Public Law 109-39)

H.R. 3453, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Signed on July 28, 2005. (Public Law 109-40)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.